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(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 CFR1.53(d)) Attorney Docket No. 08/623,852 of Prior Application Address to: Hard, Robert A. First Named Inventor Assistant Commissioner for Patents Examiner Name Bos, S. **Box CPA** Group / Art Unit 1754 Washington, DC 20231 Express Mail Label No. EL 694 909 037 US 0 This is a request for a Continuation or divisional application under 37 CFR1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08/623,852 filed on March 26, 1996, entitled Process For Recovering Metal Values From Solid Materials (as amended). **NOTES** FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000). C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR. 1.53(b). EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned. ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application of applications in the file jacket. 35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and north should! be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a). WARNING: Information on-this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application 2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53 (d)(4). a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application: b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

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